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SUBJECT: BULGARIA ON UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY THIRD COMMITTEE  
HUMAN RIGHTS PRIORITIES

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We delivered reftel demarche to Rakovski Lashev, Head of the Human Rights Unit at the Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs on October 22. Lashev said that Bulgaria shares U.S. human rights priorities and that the Bulgarian delegation would support the biennial U.S. resolution on free elections and resolutions on the human rights situations in Iran, Burma, and North Korea. He stated that Bulgaria strongly opposes the usage of "no-action motions" in the Third Committee and has profound reservations against the inclusion of language on defamation of religion in UN resolutions.

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